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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

In the Restriction Requirement dated October 9, 2003, restriction was required to one of the following inventions:

- Group I: Claims 1-6, drawn to a method to provide a high pressure press;
- Group II: Claims 7-9, drawn to a high pressure press;
- Group III: Claims 10-12, drawn to a method of using a high pressure press; or
- Group IV: Claims 13-16, drawn to a method of replacing a wear liner in a pressure chamber.

Applicant respectfully traverses the Restriction Requirement. More particularly, applicant respectfully submits that the subject matter of claims 1-9 and claims 13-16 are sufficiently related such that the search and examination of Groups I, II and IV can be made without serious burden. More particularly, claims 1-6, 7-9 and 13-16 share many common technical features, for example, the wear liner being arranged in a state of residual compressive stress, the wear liner being plastically deformed, and being removed from the pressure chamber by making a cut on an inner surface of the wear liner thereby allowing the wear liner to collapse. As these technical features and others are shared in common between the claim sets of Groups I, II and IV, applicant respectfully submits that they are logically prosecuted together without undue

burden. Applicant therefore requests reconsideration of the Restriction Requirement, to allow claims 1-9 and 13-16 to be prosecuted in the present application. In the event that the Restriction Requirement is maintained, applicant hereby provisionally elects to prosecute Group I, claims 1-6.

Respectfully submitted,
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